

TOP SECRET - 8600000000000000

What is claimed is:

1. A personal information management apparatus which electronically manages personal information of a user, comprising:
5

a personal information database selection unit selecting a personal information database based on predetermined rules from a personal information storage unit including a plurality of personal information databases respectively storing personal information about different situations of a user;
10 and

15 a processing unit processing the personal information database selected by said personal information database selection unit such that the personal information can be read and written.

2. The apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising

20 a clock unit outputting current time data, wherein

said rules are defined based on the time data output by said clock unit.

25 3. The apparatus according to claim 1, further

comprising

a transmission/reception unit, provided in a network, transmitting and receiving data to and from an information processing terminal through the
5 network, wherein

said personal information database selection unit selects the personal information database through the network, or directly selects the personal information database.

10

4. The apparatus according to claim 3, wherein
said rules are defined based on information received by said transmission/reception unit about access path in the network from the information
15 processing terminal.

20

5. The apparatus according to claim 3, wherein
said rules are defined based on information received by said transmission/reception unit and designating the information processing terminal.

25

6. The apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising
a status information input unit inputting any user status information in user status information

containing a situation of a user and a status of a user, wherein

5 said rules are defined according to user status information input through said status information input unit.

7. The apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:

10 a personal information nonmatching detection unit detecting a difference in personal information of predetermined items common to two personal information databases stored in said personal information storage unit; and

15 a personal information nonmatching notification unit notifying of the difference detected by said personal information nonmatching detection unit.

8. The apparatus according to claim 7, further comprising

20 a personal information synchronization unit amending one piece of different personal information detected by said personal information nonmatching detection unit to match the other piece.

9. The apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:

a personal information nonmatching detection unit detecting a difference in personal information of predetermined items common to two personal information databases stored in said personal information storage unit; and

10 a personal information synchronization unit amending one piece of different personal information detected by said personal information nonmatching detection unit to match the other piece.

15 10. A personal information managing method which electronically manages personal information of a user, comprising:

selecting a personal information database based on predetermined rules from a personal information storage unit including a plurality of personal information databases respectively storing personal information about different situations of a user; and

20 processing the selected personal information database such that the personal information can be read and written.

11. The method according to claim 10, further comprising:

5 outputting current time data; wherein
 the rules are defined based on the output time
 data.

12. The method according to claim 10, further comprising:

10 transmitting and receiving data to and from an
 information processing terminal through a network;
 wherein

15 the personal information database is selected
 through the network, or the personal information
 database is directly selected.

13. The method according to claim 12,
16 the rules are defined based on received
 information about an access path in the network
 from the information processing terminal.

20 14. The method according to claim 12,
 the rules are defined based on received
 information designating the information processing
 terminal.

15. The method according to claim 10, further comprising:

5 inputting any user status information in user status information containing a situation of a user and a status of a user; wherein

 said rules are defined according to the input user status information.

10 16. The method according to claim 10, further comprising:

 detecting a difference in personal information of predetermined items common to two personal information databases stored in said personal information storage unit; and

15 notifying of the detected difference.

17. The method according to claim 16, further comprising:

20 amending one piece of the detected different personal information to match the other piece.

18. The method according to claim 10, further comprising:

25 detecting a difference in personal information of predetermined items common to two personal

FOOOOOOO-FOOOOO

information databases stored in said personal information storage unit; and

amending one piece of the detected different personal information to match the other piece.

5

19. A computer-readable storage medium storing a personal information management program used to direct a computer for electronically managing personal information of a user to perform the functions of:

selecting a personal information database based on predetermined rules from a personal information storage unit including a plurality of personal information databases respectively storing personal information about different situations of a user; and

processing the selected personal information database such that the personal information can be read and written.

20

20. The storage medium according to claim 19, further comprising the function of outputting current time data, wherein

said rules are defined based on the output time data.

TOTDDEEEEDDDDDTT

- RECORDED READING
21. The storage medium according to claim 19,
further comprising the function of transmitting and
receiving data to and from an information
processing terminal through a network, wherein
5 data is transmitted and received to and from
an information processing terminal through a
network; and
said personal information database is selected
10 through the network, or said personal information
database is directly selected.
22. The storage medium according to claim 21,
wherein
15 said rules are defined based on received
information about an access path in the network
from the information processing terminal.
23. The storage medium according to claim 21,
20 wherein
said rules are defined based on received
information designating the information processing
terminal.
- 25 24. The storage medium according to claim 19,

further comprising inputting any user status information in user status information containing a situation of a user and a status of a user, wherein
said rules are defined according to the input
5 user status information.

25. The storage medium according to claim 19,
further comprising detecting a difference in
personal information of predetermined items common
10 to two personal information databases stored in
said personal information storage unit, wherein
said detected difference is notified of.

26. The storage medium according to claim 25,
15 further comprising:

amending one piece of the detected different
personal information to match the other piece.

27. The storage medium to claim 19, further
20 comprising:

detecting a difference in personal information
of predetermined items common to two personal
information databases stored in said personal
information storage unit; and

25 amending one piece of the detected different

personal information to match the other piece.

28. A personal information management program used
to direct a computer for electronically managing
5 personal information of a user to perform the
functions of:

selecting a personal information database
based on predetermined rules from a personal
information storage unit including a plurality of
10 personal information databases respectively storing
personal information about different situations of
a user; and

processing the selected personal information
database such that the personal information can be
15 read and written.

29. The program according to claim 28, further
comprising the function of outputting current time
data, wherein

20 said rules are defined based on the output
time data.

30. The program according to claim 28, further
comprising the function of transmitting and
25 receiving data to and from an information

processing terminal through a network, wherein
data is transmitted and received to and from
an information processing terminal through a
network; and

5 said personal information database is selected
through the network, or said personal information
database is directly selected.

31. The program according to claim 30, wherein
10 said rules are defined based on received
information about an access path in the network
from the information processing terminal.

32. The program according to claim 30, wherein
15 said rules are defined based on received
information designating the information processing
terminal.

33. The program according to claim 28, further
20 comprising inputting any user status information in
user status information containing a situation of a
user and a status of a user, wherein
 said rules are defined according to the input
user status information.

34. The program according to claim 28, further comprising detecting a difference in personal information of predetermined items common to two personal information databases stored in said
5 personal information storage unit, wherein
said detected difference is notified of.

35. The program according to claim 34, further comprising:
10 amending one piece of the detected different personal information to match the other piece.

36. The program according to claim 28, further comprising:
15 detecting a difference in personal information of predetermined items common to two personal information databases stored in said personal information storage unit; and
amending one piece of the detected different personal information to match the other piece.

20
37. A personal information management apparatus which electronically manages personal information of a user, comprising:
25 personal information database selection means

TECHNICAL DRAWING

for selecting a personal information database based
on predetermined rules from personal information
storage means including a plurality of personal
information databases respectively storing personal
5 information about different situations of a user;
and

processing means for processing the personal
information database selected by said personal
information database selection means such that the
10 personal information can be read and written.

200008-120404